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1. AMB MOYNIHAN MADE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN EXPLANATION OF

VOTE DURING AUGUST 6 UNSC DEBATE ON MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS  
OF VIETNAM AND SOUTH KOREA:

QUOTE

MR. PRESIDENT, WE ARE AT THE END OF ANOTHER DAY IN A  
DUBIOUS TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THE  
SECURITY COUNCIL HAS HAD BEFORE IT THE SIMPLEST OF MATTERS.  
WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO CARRY FORWARD OUR DUTY UNDER THE CHARTER  
TO CONSIDER THE ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS. THE APPLICATIONS  
OF THESE NATIONS WERE BEFORE US. THE UNITED STATES WAS OF  
COURSE PREPARED TO VOTE FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF EACH OF THESE  
THREE NATIONS. THE ESSENTIAL THRUST OF THE CHARTER TOWARDS  
UNIVERSALITY REQUIRED NOTHING LESS OF US. VERILY, IT IS A  
DUTY OF A SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBER TO INSURE THAT THE  
APPLICATION OF ANY ENTITY BEARING ANY RESEMBLANCE TO STATEHOOD--  
THE APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS,  
TO BE REFERRED TO THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE. IT IS THE ROLE  
OF THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE APPLICANT  
IN FACT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHARTER FOR MEMBERSHIP.  
TODAY WE HAVE HAD BEFORE US THREE APPLICANTS. THE UNITED  
STATES HAD BEEN PREPARED TO SEE EACH CONSIDERED BY THE  
ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE AND, AS THE UNITED STATES HAS MADE CLEAR,  
WE HAVE BEEN PREPARED TO VOTE FOR THE ADMISSION OF EACH  
AND ALL OF THESE APPLICANTS. WE WERE PREPARED TO SEE EACH  
OF THEM ADMITTED IF ALL WERE ADMITTED. CLEARLY, THE SECURITY  
COUNCIL ACTION FORECLOSES THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR THE 30TH  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND WE CAN ONLY REGRET IT. UNQUOTE

2. WHEN THE DEPENDABILITY OF A REUTERS TAPE RECORDING OF A  
KEY PROCEDURAL STATEMENT IN THE SC WAS CHALLENGED ON THE  
GROUND THAT REUTERS HAS NO OFFICIAL STANDING, AMB MOYNIHAN  
REPLIED:QUOTE  
WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS, IT IS A LONG-STANDING  
TRADITION IN MY COUNTRY TO PREFER THE WORD OF REUTERS  
TO THE WORD OF ANY GOVERNMENT. UNQUOTE  
MOYNIHAN

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